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CLOSE DOWN TODAY OF MINE OF RIVER COMBINE

Officials Insisted Release Papers Be Signed, It is Said

MAY MEAN A BIG STRIKE

Possible That All the River Coal Mines May be Compelled to Close

Differences between the coal miners of the Pittsburg district and the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Co. over the signing of the employers' release from liability forms are likely to come to a head soon. For a time the River Coal only requested that men having sons employed in the mines sign these papers, which is virtually a quit claim for all damages for death or accident to miners. Now it is demanding the signatures, and because the men refuse to sign, Tremont mine, one of the largest the river combine has in the Fourth pool, was closed down today, to remain so indefinitely.

The question of signing these blanks has been agitating the men employed in the river mines for over six months, although the first recognition of it by the officials of district No. 5 of the United Mine workers was in October. Before the special convention held at Pittsburg that month District President Francis Feehan took the matter up, first with W. W. Keefer, general manager of the River Coal, then with the international president of the Mine Workers, Thomas L. Lewis, but without getting any satisfaction. At the special convention the release from liability was condemned and the men advised not to sign

So far as known the district officials have as yet taken no action, but it is altogether likely that a general strike in the mines of the River Coal may yet be ordered. Tremont is one of the largest mines the company has and usually one of the steadiest. Its suspension will mean much to the miners of the Fourth pool and will have a considerable effect to the business of Belle Vernon and Fayette City.

Miners who have been seen declare they have no particular aversion to signing a release from damages for injury to their sons provided it was not through the company's negligence such accident happened. Under the terms of the paper presented by the company it is given a quit claim no matter what the cause. The attorney for the United Mine Workers has given as his opinion that the minor himself could recover damages under the agreement, but it would be hard work. In case of death there would be no one to bring suit, the parent having signed away his rights. The miners also say if they are compelled to sign this release from liability for their sons it will not be long until they will be compelled to sign one for themselves.

CROW APPOINTED BANK RECEIVER

Senator William E. Crow of Uniontown, has been appointed the permanent receiver for the Bank of Coal Center, which was closed on last Thursday by State Bank Examiner James S. Cover. The books of the bank are not in bad condition says Mr. Cover.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

Washington Avenue Presbyterian.

Bible school at 9:45; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Junior Christian Endeavor at 2:30; senior Christian Endeavor at 6:30. A cordial welcome to all. G. G. Kerr, pastor.

St. Jeromes.

St. Jerome's Catholic church, 3rd Sunday after the feast of Ephiphany. Lesson Romans XII, 16-51; Gospel Matt. VIII, 1-13. The services will be as follows: First mass at 8 o'clock; second mass at 10:30. The sermons at the masses will be on the gospel of the day. Children's Sodality will be at 2 o'clock and Christian Doctrine at 2:30. Young Ladies' Sodality at 7:30, followed by sermon and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are invited to be present at any or all of these services. You will hear the Gospel preached without reference to the questions of the day. The Gospel of Christ solves all difficulties as it was intended for all times and all men. W. D. Fries, pastor.

Baptist.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning sermon at 11 a. m., subject, of sermon, "Whom Do I Serve." Evening service at 7:30 p. m., "The Conditions of Salvation". There will be revival services each evening next week, Rev. J. A. Cherney of Monessen preaching and conducting the services. We expect a great meeting. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good." Evening services commence at 7:30 p. m. J. H. Palmer, pastor.

St. Marys Episcopal Church.

Early celebration of the holy communion at 8 a. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 9:45 a. m.

Morning prayer, litany and sermon at 11 o'clock. Subject, "Humanity Compared with Human Distinctions." Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Father's Discipline. L. W. Shey, rector.

ACCEPTS POSITION AT COUNTY SEAT

Mr. F. W. Power who for several months has been connected with the Mail as advertising manager has resigned his position here and will leave on Sunday for Washington, Pa., where he will accept a similar position with the Washington Record. Mr. Powers has made many friends here, who view his departure with regret, but at the same time wish him much success in his new field.

Court Reverses Decision

Judge J. A. McIlvaine has handed down a decision in the case of Miss Mary Matthewson of Stockdale, which she was sentenced by a Justice of the peace of that place to pay a fine of $10 and costs of $17.53. The court reverses the decision, and directs that the fine and costs be restored to her. She was charged with assault upon a pupil in her schools.

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Smith were in Duquesne last evening to attend a ball given by a Medical association, at the home of Dr. L. H. Botkin.

POLITICAL THUG INSULTS DECENCY

Good People Rise in Arms Against Mud Slinging

"SQUARE DEAL" IS CHARLEROI'S PLEA

One of the most scurvy, mean, scabby, vile and contemptible acts that was ever perpetrated against the character of a fellow citizen has been aimed at one of our candidates for burgess. True to its low character, if we might consider it as having a charater, it appeared as a criminal with out a name, on a pink sheet, under the cover of night. Dark, treacherous, villainous, distasteful, unfit to read, unfair and unlawful to print. The brain that originated it, the mind that conceived it must be unfair and filthy like itself.

The manner in which it has been received by our people is a tribute to their high plane of character. It is condemned on all sides and we predict that the good citizens of Charleroi will rush in a body to defend the character and reputation of one of our fellow townsmen.

The attack is evidently directed at Candidate Whitehead, and, while the Mail has taken no hand in this campaign, for we feel that it was a free fight in which six good clean citizens were engaged, yet we do not hesitate to denounce this act as unfair and dirty politics and even a criminal offense against the laws of our state, and we feel it our duty, as it is the duty of every citizen, to defend and uphold the character of a fellow citizen when he is attacked in an underhanded, treacherous manner on the eve of an election by a night thug. The reputation of Charleroi's people is known everywhere as being fair and honest with every person. The author of this attack and his filthy production can find no friend or associates here.

RUTSEK LOCATED

Peer Rutsek, the missing banker of Connellsville, is in jail at Buda Pesth, Hungary, and has been in jail since December 29, as learned from a newspaper pubilshed at Buda Pesth which has been received by Adolph Herskopvitz, of Uniontown.

"Rutsek Under Lock and Key" is the prominent headline of an article in the paper which is dated January 14. The article when translated is as follows:

"Connellsville, Pa., U. S. A. banker by the name of Peter Rutsek has been in jail here since December 29 and cannot be released until word is received from the authorities abroad as to his identity. He was arrested by the police authorities and as he could not prove his identity by either Hungarian or American passports, and as he claims to be a banker in one of the states of America and also a notary public the police authorities believe that Mr. Peter Rutsek has obtained his authority for Connellsville and vicinity as notary public under false representations and they will examine the facts whether he has ever been naturalized as a citizen of the United States or not.

"Any steps taken by the Connellsville, Pa., authorities towards his extradition will be assisted by the Hungarian police."

The Hungarian paper was received in Pittsburg Thursday the Hungarian consul there and was loaned by him to Mr. Herskovitz who took it to Uniontown It is the Hungarian Paper published in Buda Pesth and it has a branch office in Cleveland, Ohio.

MINERS GIVE TO THE RELIEF FUND

The spirit of "The Brotherhood of Man" was never before so well exemplified as in the instance of the employes of the Berwind-White Coal Mining company, of Bernwind, Pa., who yesterday turned in their contribution toward the relief fund for the sufferers of the Marianna mine disaster. These hardy sons of toil raised a total collection of $2,242.30, bringing the fond up to a grand total of $23,374.97.

MONON IS THE WINNER

The Charleroi Polo team in the West Penn Roller Polo league was last night beaten at Monongahela in a remarkably fast game by the score of 6 to 4. It looked until the last part of the game as if Charleroi was the winner, but Monongahela took a spurt and beat out.

In the first period, Charleroi showed superior form. At the end the boys from this place had a score of 2 to 1 of the Monon's.

In the second Charleroi again had the Monongahela team played off their feet getting 2 to the home teams 1. But in the last after tying the score Monongahela in the last two minutes in spectacular work beat out the locals.

The race for the honors in the league will be between Monongahela and Charleroi, as can be readily seen at this stage. The lineup:

Monongahela—6.		Charleroi—4.
Keys	First Rush	Shinn
Hoskins	Second Rush	Barker
McVicker	Center	Driscoll
Shepler	Halfback	Scrivness
Armstrong	Goal	Johnston

Rushes—Keys 10, Shinn 3. Stops—Armstrong 32, Johnston 40. Goals—Barker, Shinn 2. Driscoll. McVicker 3. Hoskins 2. Accidental Monongahela, 1. Referee—Keys.

REV. CHERNEY AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. A. Cherney of the Monessen Baptist church last night occupied the pulpit at the First Baptist church here where meetings are being held. Rev. Cherney gave an interesting talk of the topic, "I am the Door." He made many strong points, and pointed out the need of a person leading a Christian life. He was listened to with much interest. Meetings will be held in the Baptist church all next week, and Rev. Cherney will assist. A good series of services are looked for.

Mrs. E. F. Kraehmer is spending the day in Pittsburg the guest of Miss Minerva Thomas.

R. M. Smith left this morning for his home in Ligonier where he will spend a few days.

"AN INTELLIGENT CITIZEN" ON CAMPAIGN LITERATURE

BOYS ARE NOT TO BE SUSPENDED

"Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor." The authority of the home, police authority, and school authority, when rightly and wisely administered do receive their dues in respect from those who are affected by the rules of said authorities.

A few days ago it was my painful experience to sit at a hearing in the office of our Burgess and see a number of "Our Boys" arrainged before his court for interferring with the rights of some of our citizens. The next morning an investigation was started in the schools to determine why this thing happened—and yesterday while the investigation was being held and at a time when evidence secured to indicate that a number of "Our Boys" would be suspended from school for their part in the affair. The article was printed in the Daily paper.—But after the true circumstances had been learned and considered from the boys' point of view it was decided not to suspend any. I had a personal heart to heart talk with our boys yesterday, and how I wish I could reveal some of the things learned during the conversations. The boys were taken one by one. I tried to have them feel that I was their friend and would treat them fair. They told me many things that I never knew, and my plea is and always shall be to all authorities in Charleroi that we shall stop knocking at "Our Boys" and lend them a "Helping Hand." These boys must be educated in civic life, and the schools alone cannot do it. The police cannot do it, the homes cannot do it, because a certain class of residents are knocking at the schools. Some say we project our authority too far, others say we do not go far enough. Some knock at the police authority in the same way, and some at the home training. Even council must meet knocks here and there.

Where is the individual in whom there is no fault, where is the perfect organization. No man, no organization but could be "knocked" out of existence if a whole community would decide so to do. No individual and no combination of individuals but could live a better and more influential life if every member of the community would decide to and would lend a "helping hand"' Let us come to a comomon understanding of what is for the best interest of our community and all work with "Our Boys" and not against them. May we direct their surplus energies in right paths, and see what the results will be. As for me I have great faith in our boys and what they can do—good or ill. Read page 95 in the February number of "Success" magazine.

W. D. Wright.

Frye-Hannen.

On Thursday evening at the study of the First Christian church the marriage of Miss Elsie May Hannen, of Lover and Mr. Frank Frye of Gallatin, Tenn., was performed. Rev H. C. Boblitt officiating. The wedding took place at 7 o'clock. The couple will not take a trip. They will probably reside in Tennessee.

Mrs. M. L. Kent left this morning for Johnstown and Brisbine for a visit with friends and relatives.

Despicable Attempt To Discredit Candidacy of Man For Burgess.

HE FAVORS PROSECUTION

Would Find Parties Who Produced "Stuff" and Have Them Tried.

To the Voting Intelligence of Charleroi:

A nasty piece of campaign literature has been circulated about our candidate for Burgess, that to allow to go by unnoticed would be an insult to the intelligent and thinking people of our borough. Such dirty and disgusting matter no self respecting printer would set up, and that certain people would allow such matter to be spread broad cast shows a lack of observance on the part of people for whom the abatement and confiscation of all printed matter of this nature is their duty.

It matters not what my politics may be or for whom my vote may be cast. My local and civic pride compels me to protest against the circulation of such low and thoroughly obscene printed matter and I really believe that the author of this nasty stuff has placed himself within the pale of the law, and as a warning to future transgressors of the laws of decency I would advocate his locking up, and if possible he or they be prosecuted to the limit in such cases applicable.

An Intelligent Citizen.

MANY A WARM CONTEST ON

Those whoare outfor political honors are hustling today, and the primaries this afternoon will, it is thought, prove very exciting. The voting places will be open from 2 until 8 o'clock. For Burgess there is many a prediction, but as to whom the real winner will be is a question especially on the Republican ticket. It would not be hard to pick the winner for the Democratic ticket however, and he will be a strong man. The office of tax collector will call for a warm fight, and who will be the winner on the Republican ticket of this is like that of Burgess a question.

INVESTIGATING DEATH OF MONONGAHELA MAN

Coroner James T. Heffran is in Monongahela this afternoon investigating the death of Raffele Grameta, who was killed last Thursday in the Cincinnati mines.

To The Voters of Charleroi.

I again make announcement that I am a candidate for Burgess of Charleroi on the Independent ticket and if elected will endeavor to fill the office intelligently and fairly.

Respectfully yours

George Newton.

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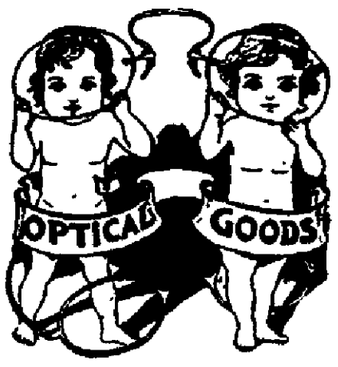

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and see how you would like to go through the world with a black veil before them; that is what will happen if they need attention and you are neglecting them.

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Jan. 24 In History.

1712—Frederick the Great born in Berlin; died at Sans Souci 1786.

1733—Benjamin Lincoln, American Revolutionary general, born in Hingham, Mass.; died there 1810.

1898—Battleship Maine ordered to proceed to Havana.

1901—Albert Edward, prince of Wales, formally proclaimed king of England with the title Edward VII.

1908—August Wilhelmj, noted violinist, died in London; born 1846.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:04, rises 7.12; moon sets 8:32 p. m.; planet Mercury visible low in west after sunset.

GOOD EVENING.

The cloud is very black, 'tis true,
But just behind it shines the blue.—
Mary Frances Butts.

Quitting School "To Work."

It is not an unusual case to find a boy waiting eagerly until the time when he is old enough to quit school and go to work. Recently a not extraordinary case was brought to the notice of the superintendent of our public schools, of where a boy on the date of his birthday with his mother appeared and saying that he was old enough to quit school left the house of learning—to as we suppose work in one of the factories. True, boys have to work sometime, or else live the life of a vagabond, but it is rank folly on the part of parents to deprive them of their education if they can avoid it. Judge Benn Lindsey, the "Boys Friend," and founder of the Juvenile court in America, has said "Till children are entitled to childhood." It takes but a moment to catch the real significance of this golden thought. It means that all children should be given their playtime, and all the advantages possible before their advancement. Is the latter being done by the removal from school at the age where the compulsory school law has no control of them? Another thinker has stated that a single day in school is worth ter dollars to a single child. And he has gathered facts to support this. When school is practically free it is then up to the parents to see that their children get what is coming to them.

Not Quite That Unloyal

In some way the Pennsylvania Railroad company officials at Pittsburg got it into their heads that the Mail said that California was in more need of a new station than Charleroi. This is a most erroneous impression, and should be corrected in their minds. We certainly would not be guilty of that disloyal act. The Mail and all the citizens of this place as well, realize the fact that Charleroi is in more need of a new station than any other town along the valley, California even not excepted, although we must acknowledge that to be one of the places the Pennsy missed when it got in the habit of building decent stations, just the same as was Charleroi. We do not begrudge California a new structure but will kick like the deuce if the company erects one there and leave us here in the cold. We have a great deal of traffic to and from Charleroi—several times that of California, take the year around. People come here to shop realizing this is the best place in the valley to secure the worth of their money, and many of this list come by way of the railroad.

The Proposed Game Law.

The proposed change of game laws is hailed with delight by the sportsmen of the state, who regard themselves as greatly favored by the extensions of the various seasons. More than that the seasons are so changed that they are more suitable to the general class of hunters.

Electric Sparks

Professor Abbott Lawerence Lowell, formally made Harvard's president, has the minor distinction of bearing the name of two Massachusetts towns.

It is now admitted that Edgar Allan Poe was born in Boston; but his Virginia admirers insist it was merely an accident.

At present the United States seems to be first in war, first in peace and first in sending aid to the suffering everywhere.

Even when a man doesn't live a particularly fast life he finds himself all out of breath when he comes to die.

When a man resigns a public office because he is incompetent to fill it that is patriotism; when he resigns one office to take a more profitable one that is sense.

There is too much mystery concerning China. Who knows but the new emperor may be cutting another tooth? And yet the outside world is kept in the dark.

It is one thing to get a legislature started in session and quite another thing to stop it.—Youngstown Vindicator.

And when they finally get the new tariff framed, will anbyody want to hang it in his parlor?

The big stick will give way to the golf stick when John D. and Mr. Taft link up for that game.

Don't kick because you have to button your wife's waist. Be glad your wife has a waist and doubly glad you have a wife to button a waist for. Some men's wives' waists have no buttons on to button. Some men's wives who have waists with buttons on to button don't care a continental whether they are buttoned or not. Some men don't have any wives with waists with buttons on to button, any more than a rabbit.—Lacon, Ill. Journal.

The first time a girl is engaged she imagines that she is as important as the heroine in a novel.

Every young man looks forward to the time when he will be in a position to boss somebody.

If every man was compelled to act as his own fool killer there would be an epidemic of suicides.

The more a woman knows about the affairs of her husband the less she has to say about them.

Those countries now adopting old-age pensions may not know the trouble they are bringing on themselves, since the professor is about to show us all how to live to be young at 150.

A man's wife never thinks his illness is serious until he quits using language that wouldn't look well in print.

Aeroplane races are becoming common in Europe. What of it? Horse racing is up in the air in the United States.

Women's hats are announced as designed to be "smaller this year." Necessarily. As they could not be any larger without crowding everything else out of all places of public assemblage the law of change was forced to decrease their shrinkage.

The ancient colored man in Philadelphia who registered himself as 104 years old, and supported his claim on the ground that he remembers the Revolutionary War, may be long on years but is lamentably short on historical mathematics.

The President objects to being mixed up in Pittsburg politics, and most people will sympathize with him rather than blame him.

Schedule committee of the Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia Circuit will reserve a place for New Castle should it be decided that a meet will be held. If the selling of books is permitted one of the biggest racing events in the county will be held there. Horsemen look forward to such an end.

"Thou shalt not bear false witness" is a Divine command that is not always obeyed even in this day of enlightment.

It is only the guilty who exult over another's punishment, even though that punishment be just.

Pittsburg has gotten filtered water and as a result we may now look for fewer complaints about the Smoky City milk.

After carefully reading what John D. Rockefeller has to say about himself and his innocent enterprise, let us call him president of the Slandered Oil.

Aeronauts are to draw up rules of the air. It is understood that pedestrians will not have right of way, and will get in the track of aeroplanes at their own peril.

"Graustark" Here Feb. 12.

All of the characters in George Barr McCutcheon's novel of "Graustark" or "A Love Behind A Throne" are retained in the play, including "Grenfall Lorry" the ideal American, Harry Anguish" his friend, the "Princess Yetive," Prince Gabriel," Baron Dangloss," "Prince Lorenze," "Prince Borlaroz," "Ostrom," "Dannox," "Allode," Zitsky," "Countess Dagmar," "Countess Halfontes," "Therese," Uncle Casper" aunt Yonne."

The first scene of the play represents the exterior of the Hotel Regengetz at Edelweiss, the capitol city of the principality of "Graustark". The second and fourth acts occur in the boudoir of the "Princess Yetive" while the third and fifth acts take place in the throne room of the castle. The locale of the play affords unusual opportunities for the display of rich and gorgeous costuming and elaborate scenic mountings, which has been taken advantage of in every possible manner.

Lover Pa., Jan. 22.—Jefferson, son of J. P. Duvall, near Jonestown, died Tuesday evening almost seven o'clock. He has only been seriously ill for a few days. Tuesday he suffered a stroke of paralysis which resulted in his death that evening.

Curt Pitzer is visiting his grandparents at East End, Pittsburg.

Donald Ames, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ames, near Garwood, has returned to his studies at the Pittsburg school for the Blind.

A literary society has been organized at the Clover Hill school which will be held on Saturday evening. The following officers have been elected: Gayman Shrontz, president; Leslie Williams, vice president; Blanche Winnett, secretary; Lulu West, assistant secretary; Walter Hawkins, marshal.

Miss Rebecca Griffin of California spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Berte Waller.

The sick, Mrs. I. N. Carson, Mrs. Sarah Williams and Charles Scott, are better.

Mrs. John Rider spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Tyre Robison near Charleroi who is ill.

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Aministratrix's Notice.

Estate of James O. Halstead, Late of the Borough of Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, Deceased

Letters of Administration in the above estate having been granted to the undersigned administratrix, all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, are requested to make the same known, and all persons indebted thereto to make prompt payment to

DELLA P. HALSTEAD, Andrew Charleroi, Pa.

D. M. McCOSKEY, Attorney.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of James Watson, late of North Charleroi, Washington county, Pa.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the above named decedent should make known the same without delay, and all persons indebted should make prompt payment to

JOHN O. WATSON,
LYDIA WATSON KRAMER,
Executors
Lock No. 4, Pa.

J-23-30-F-6-13-20-27

APPROPRIATION FOR COUNTY HOME

At a meeting of the county commissioners yesterday the board appropriated $23,000 for the maintainance of the County home and $11,000 for the Children's home, during the coming year. This is a slight increase over last year, but due to the fact that last year there were balances from the year before, and these balances have been exhausted.

REVIVAL AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The special revival services at the First Christian church are progressing with great interest. So far forty two have been added to the church, thirty five by primary obedience. The sermon themes tomorrow will be, morning, "Fishers of Men." Evening, "The Dead Iron Devil." The time of the services will be, S. S. 9:45 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m. Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The song services led by Mr. Clarence Hunter have been a great inspiration to the meetings.

The collection yesterday by the local committee consisting of Frank Riva, Thomas Arrigo and G. A. Martucci are as follows:

Balance left over	$366.25
Demetrio Bertolotti	1.00
Thomas Bonfanti	1.00
Reeves and Reeves	1.00
Harris Bros.	1.00
H. Brown	.50
James Frew	5.00
J. J. King	1.00
R. O. Vetters	1.00
A. S. Bataglia	.50
M. J. Tylavsky	1.00
T. P. Grant	2.00
Joseph Haube's	1.00
J. Goldstein	.50
Cash	.50
Eugene Fau	2.00
D. R. Duvall	1.00
J. H. Bowers	1.00
W. C. Gween	5.00
Grand total	$392.25

SLIGHT ACCIDENT AT PLATE WORKS

A slight accident occurred at the Plate works yesterday afternoon, on the railroad tracks near the office at the Fifth street terminal. Two freight cars were being "dropped," or taken to a different place on the tracks, when they were lost control of, and burst open the gate at this point. They were derailed, but little damage resulting.

Cramer.

Word was received here today of the death at the home of her daughter in Niles, Ohio, of Mrs. J. D. Cramer. The funeral will be held from Hubbard, Ohio on Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. Cramer is survived by two sons, W. H., Robert, and two daughters.

Mr. W. H. Cramer, one of the surviving sons was formerly the editor of the Mail, he founding this paper.

Pie Social

The pie social held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Heupel of Lincoln avenue was well attended, and a great success.

Rumor has it that a new Democratic paper is to be started at the county seat, to take place of the Washington Record, which was lately purchased by a company, and its policies changed to Republican. It is said that the head of the new publication, which will issue on March 11, is Joe T. S. Cowan, at present editor of the Roscoe Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Stillwell left this morning for Pittsburg and Tarentum for a visit.

John C. Collins of Monongahela was a visitor in Charleroi on business this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Riggs, son Ellsworth and daughter, Metta, have returned from the Pacific coast where they have spent the past several months.

FOR RENT—Furnished room, with the use of bath. Other conveniences. Inquire 214 Washington avenue. 139t3

WANTED—Second hand office desk. Leave answers at the Mail office. 139t3p

FOR SALE—Complete furnishings for five room house. Cash or payments. House for rent, good location. Paved street. Address Box 177, Charleroi, Pa. 137t3p

WANTED—Position as engineer. Can run dynamo and look after and repair machinery., 20 years experience. Inquire 38 Mail office. 135tf

FOR RENT—Four rooms. Hot and cold water and bath. Inquire 431 McKean avenue. 136ft

Unusual Reductions

All our stock of Ladies' and Misses' suits will be sold at prices that will astonish you.

New styles, new materials, including broadcloths, cheviots, worsteds, etc. They are all this season's goods and guaranteed right in every way.

Furs—we have a big money saving proposition to offer you in Ladies' and Misses' furs.

This sale will be on all this week; come early and get first choice

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the use of our Travelers' checks. There is no waiting for funds, as they are available everywhere and are promptly cashed by banks, railroad and steamship companies, hotels and commercial houses.

Before going on your next trip, purchase some of these Travelers' Checks of us. The cost is small, and they are much safer than carrying the money with you.

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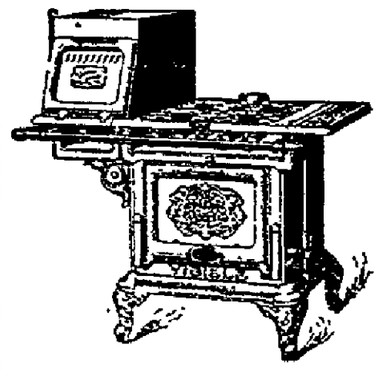

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Gas Ranges and Chandeliers
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When you furnish your office and home you of course get the best.

A Charleroi Phone is the best and no office or home is complete without one

Business.	Private Line	$24 per year.
	4 Party selective	$18 per year.
Residence.	Private Line	$18 per year.
	4 Party selective	$12 per year.

Special half rate night toll service.

Desk Sets will be charged for at the rate of 25c per month extra. Extension bells at 15c per month extra.

Do you know that the home company is by far the best telephone service? Try it. Call up over any of our phones for the manager, or tell Central where our representative shall call.

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are a specialty with us. We receive them daily and are always able to supply our customers with every seasonable dainty that the market affords.

Telephone or bring your orders and we will be pleased to deliver same promptly to you.

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Fourth St. and Fallowfield Ave. Charleroi.

BRAUN'S MEAT MARKET

When you buy your meats here you are always sure of getting the very best on the Market.

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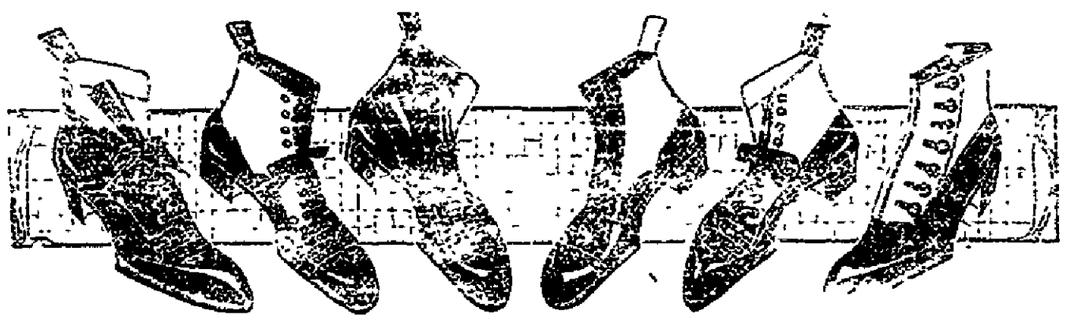
GREAT JANUARY SHOE SALE

Our great slaughter of high grade dependable Shoes is now on. This is an opportunity you cannot in justice to yourself miss. Prices have been cut and slashed to the very core. Every shoe in the store reduced to cost or less than cost.

COME TODAY! COME TOMORROW! One Grand Bargain Feast All This Month

Children's vici kid and calf button or lace guaranteed, all solid, regular $1 kind..... **69c**
Little boys' felt boots, keep the boys feet warm and dry; it will pay you, sale price **39c up**
Boys' high cut storm shoes in black or tan guaranteed waterproof, $3 values..... **$1.95**
Women's storm rubbers, high in quality but low in price. The 60c kind. Sale price..... **89c**
Women's India Kid dress shoes, patent tip, soft and easy on the feet, $2 values..... **98c**
Women's fine Vici Kid lace shoes in all the late shapes, regular $2.50 values..... **$1.48**



THIS IS

The well known **MAY-FAIR SHOE** sold everywhere for $3.50. Patent colt and vici kid in button or lace, They're always right, sale price

$2.45

Don't make any mistake. The spot for these big bargains is opposite the postoffice. Look for the big shoe show.

The Famous

WORTH OVER shoe stamped and branded $4. Black or tan.
Sale Price
$2.45

Men's fine dress shoes, lace or blucher, good wearers and up to date shoes, worth $2.50 . **$1.48**
Boys' solid good wearing shoes, former price $1.50. Get the boys two or three pair, sale price... **98c**
Boys' high grade calf shoes, dressy shapes, all leathers, $2.50 values, sale price..... **$1.39**
Men's veal calf shoes, good solid tap soles, all sizes, worth $2.00 sale price..... **98c**

Men's finest dress shoes in Pat, Colt, Vici, and Velour calf, all styles and all sizes, worth $3, sale price **$1.95**

RUBBERS RUBBERS RUBBERS

Children's Rubbers in all styles.....**29c**
Children's Button Arctics.....**98c**
Men's Arctics, one buckle.....**98c**
Men's Rubbers, Regular 75c grade.....**59c**
Men's Felt Boots, Snag Proof..... **$1.95**
Men's Gum Boots, regular 3 00 grade **1.95**

LADIES' RUBBERS

Storm or low, in all sizes and widths. Regular 60c rubbers

39 cents

(Wales Goodyear Make)

Ladies' Arctics, 2 buckle.....**98c**
Ladies' Gum Boots.....**$1.95**
Children's Gum Boots, sizes 5 to 10 1-2.....**98c**
Ladies' Tan Rubbers, to match tan shoes.
Children's Felt Boots.....**98c**
Boys' Military Waterproof Leggings.....**29c**
Children's Jersey Leggings.....**19c**
20 buttons, sizes 6 to 10.

Don't Wait, Come Now, the Sale of All Sales is at the

SAMPLE SHOE STORE

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Get our Prices on

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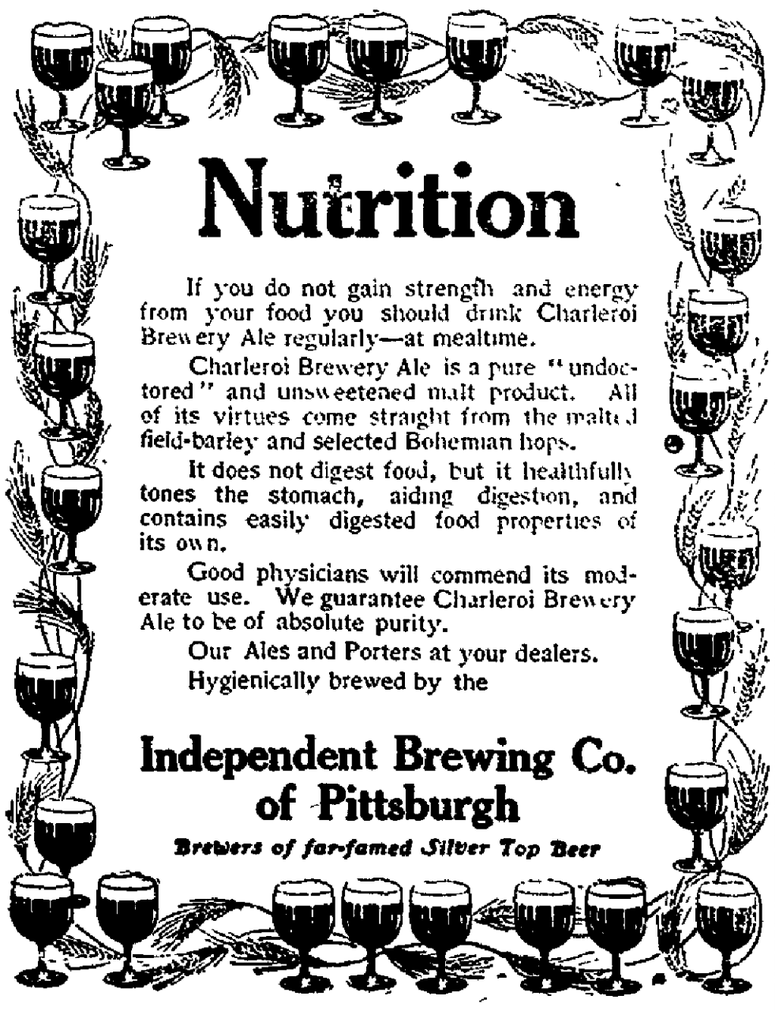


Nutrition

If you do not gain strength and energy from your food you should drink Charleroi Brewery Ale regularly—at mealtime.

Charleroi Brewery Ale is a pure "undoctored" and unsweetened malt product. All of its virtues come straight from the malted field-barley and selected Bohemian hops.

It does not digest food, but it healthfully tones the stomach, aiding digestion, and contains easily digested food properties of its own.

Good physicians will commend its moderate use. We guarantee Charleroi Brewery Ale to be of absolute purity.

Our Ales and Porters at your dealers.

Hygienically brewed by the

Independent Brewing Co. of Pittsburgh

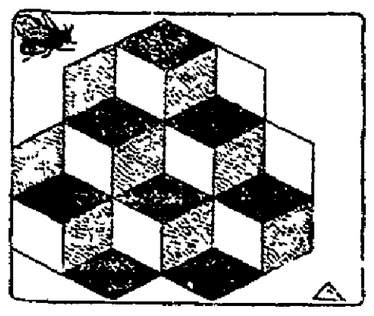
Brewers of far-famed Silver Top Beer

Young Folks

DECEIVING THE EYE.

How Many Honeycomb Pieces Can You Find In This Picture.

Here is an optical illusion the principle of which has been a matter of discussion for centuries. It would seem to be an easy matter to find out how many cells there are in this little piece of honeycomb, but just try it. When you have come to a conclusion, just keep looking at the picture, and it is very likely that quick as a flash the appearance of the cells will change, so that if you again count them you will find there is a different number. Once you will make it six, and again you will



HOW MANY SQUARES?

make it seven. There are twenty-four of the diamond shaped parts, and as you can see three sides of each cell in each case it would seem that there should be eight cells, but it is believed that seven is the highest number that the eye can seem to see.

This illusion is a result of the faculty the eye has of imagining "relief" or solidity to objects pictured in this way in perspective. The moment you glance at this picture your eye assumes that it represents a certain number of solid cubes or blocks or cells. You may see three in the bottom row, two in the next and one at the top, or you may see two in the bottom row, three in the middle and two at the top. Calling them six, if you look away for an instant and then cast your eye again on the picture you may this time see them as seven. The way the cells or blocks shift back and forth is most exasperating, and the will power seems to have little control over it.—Pathfinder.

THE EYES OF THE EAGLE.

Why Birds of Prey Are Enabled to Gaze at the Sun.

You have all heard, no doubt, that the eagle, the hawk and other birds of prey can look directly at the sun without being dazzled by its light. If they had not this peculiar power they would be seriously handicapped in their search for food.

They do not, however, look at the sun with eyes in their normal condition. Nature has provided them with a thin skin, or membrane, inside the eyelids, which they can draw down at will over the ball of the eye, thus protecting it, but not seriously interfering with its sight.

But this is not the only provision that nature has made for their eyes. They have the power of adjusting the focus so that they can see as well at a great distance as they can hear the object.

There is another unique provision that nature has made for birds about which questions are often asked, and that is their ability to maintain their hold on the perch when they are asleep. Many persons suppose that it is the persistent action during sleep of the instinct of self protection, but it is not that at all. Running from the claws up into the leg are certain little tendons, which contract or shorten when the bird is sitting. The shortening of the tendons gathers in the claws so that they grasp the perch, and the grasp will not relax until the bird resumes its standing position. The hold on the perch, therefore, is really an involuntary action.

They Have No Clocks.

The following clever device is the way that the natives of Liberia, in west Africa, who have no clocks, tell the time. They take the kernels from the nuts of the candle tree and wash and string them on the rib of a palm leaf. The first or top kernel is then lighted. All the kernels are of the same size and substance, and each will burn a certain number of minutes and then set fire to the one next below. The natives tie pieces of black cloth at regular intervals along the string to mark the division of time.

Among the natives of Singar, in the Malay archipelago, another peculiar device is used. Two bottles are placed neck to neck, and sand is poured in one of them, which pours itself into the other every half hour, when the bottles are reversed.

Grape Fruit.

A dark, smooth skin on grape fruit usually has the most and sweetest juice.

A Mirror Superstition.

Covering the mirror when there is death in the family originated in the superstition that goblins, sprites, elves or other uncanny creatures would crowd to the glass to look on.

Conundrums.

Why is the heir to a throne musing on his father's government like a rainbow? Because it's the son's (sun's) reflection on a steady rain (reign).

Why is the inside of anything always mysterious? Because ye cannot make it out.

Lost—A Little Temper.

Some one lost her temper quite,
Who I dare not say—
Lost it on her way to school.
All went wrong that day:
Strange as it may seem to you,
No one saw it go,
But it vanished like a flash—
That is all I know.

Silly sums would not come right;
Teacher, too, was cross.
All because that temper went.
Wasn't it a loss?
But when mother's arms were stretched,
Some one to infold,
Back the little temper came,
Just as good as gold!

Not Interesting.

Mr. Knox—You women are forever discussing the bad points of your neighbors. If you'd only gossip about their good points it would be more edifying.

Mrs. Knox—Yes, but who'd care to listen to us?—Philadelphia Press.

Concerning Work.

"Work is something that none of us can avoid."

"That's right," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "Even if you have somebody to do your work you've got to work hard to keep him from loafing or spoiling something."—Washington Star.

Safe and Sane.

"I never can tell what that son of mine is going to do next."

"I can always be sure what mine will do."

"What's that?"

"Not a darned thing."—Cleveland Leader.

People In Glass Houses.

Pearl—Some one just laughed at our Merry Widow hats.

Ruby—Who was it, dear?

Pearl—Why, that college chap in the ingrown hat with two corners turned down and a blue and yellow band.—Detroit Tribune.

Would You Throw Away $1,000

The man who could save and bank $5 per month and doesn't do it is throwing away $60 per year—the gross earning power of $1 000 at 6 per cent interest.

Safe investments which annually pay 6 per cent net are not as plentiful as they used to be.

Why not start an account with us and conserve this "1 000 earning?" You can open an account with a $5 deposit, or even less. Come in and let us talk over the matter.

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$1,000 15 Acres good land near Webster with four ft. Vein coal.
$1,700 5 Room House, Lincoln ave; good location.
$1,000 6 Room House, Lock View, Large Lot good location.
$450 5 Room House, Large Lot, good Location.
$700 5 Room House, slate roof, Lot 20x150, Crest Ave.
$275 Lot 40x120, Shady, between 4th and 5th st.
$2,000 7 Room House, with Bath, good Location on Lookout Ave.
$1,200 4 room House, slate roof, 3rd st.

FOR RENT

$13.00—5 Room House, Meadow and 6th st.
$12.00—6 Room House, Lookout View.

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Lasts Until Saturday, Jan. 30, 1909

ALL WINTER STOCKS IN MILLINERY, COATS, SUITS, FURS, COMFORTS AND BLANKETS

It is the time of year when we count and measure every article in the store in our Annual Inventory. Prices are made to close out immense quantities of merchandise before January 30th. Will you be one to get these savings. Don't look for circulars this time. It's too late now to get them out, but do remember

All Millinery in this sale at One-half the regular price.
All our finest and best Skirts One-fourth Off.
All Ladies' Suits sold during this sale go at One-third off.
All Silk Suits go at Half Price.
All Blankets and Comforts go at One-fourth Off.
All Table Linens and Napkins go at 20 Per Cent Off.
All Baby Caps go at One-third Off.
Gent's Suit Cases, Bags, Neckwear, Suspenders, Sweaters, 1-4 Off.
Art Linens, a wonderful variety, go at One-fourth Off.
All Hat Pins, Belt Buckles, Belts, Belting, Ladies' Neckwear 1-3 Off
All Leather Goods go at One-fourth Off.
All our Books go for a full Clean-up at Half Price.
12½c Drapery Goods for fine comforts go at 9c.
Our fine 15c Cotton Batting to go at 11c.
All Lace Curtains go at One-fourth Off.
All Calicoes, best grade, blue, black, grey, red, Light Calico at 5c.

No Goods Laid Away at These Prices.

The above Sweeping Reductions will give you an idea of the way the prices are cut. There are such prices all over the store and we will be ready for you Saturday morning. It's only one week—and these prices cannot last.

BRING IN YOUR PREMIUM TICKETS THIS MONTH.

Fifth St. and McKean Ave — **Berryman's** — CHARLEROI'S LIVE STORE — Fifth St. and McKean Ave

Great Shoe Clearance

We're giving lots of change back these days.

A small sum of money buys a large amount of Shoe leather, here now.

We're holding our Semi-annual Clearance Sale and every pair of shoes is ordered to move.

Our prices will make them move very quickly.

Prices are discounted—a quarter, a third, and sometimes a half.

Hard to tell you all about the situation here.

Bring just a little money and tell us how many pairs of shoes you can use and we'll hitch the biggest load of shoe value to your dollars they ever pulled.

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Might as Well Enjoy It.

Mr Jackson, who had but recently moved into the suburb, knew his neighbors on either hand by sight only, and consequently on a cold winter's night when his home caught fire he was surprised and pleased by the alacrity with which they came to render their assistance.

"Say," Jackson yelled excitedly to his right hand neighbor, "will you run down to the corner and turn in the alarm?"

"I'm awfully sorry, sir," the man answered, "but I have a lame leg and can't run."

"While I'm getting out some of the things will you yell fire?" said Jackson, turning to the other man.

"Got laryngitis and can't yell," said the other in a stage whisper.

Jackson gasped; but, pulling himself together, he exclaimed:

"Well, both of you go into the house and bring out chairs, then sit down and enjoy the fire!"—Youth's Companion.

A Woman and a Watch

"Women don't deserve to own watches," recently remarked a jeweler. "They don't know how to take care of them. A woman bought a watch from my firm recently, and I gave her strict instructions to wind it every twenty-four hours and always at the same hour as nearly as possible. Two days later she came back with it and said it had stopped. Well, I found it had run down. I told her, but she insisted she had wound it. Two or three days later she came back with the same complaint, and again I tried to impress her with the necessity for winding it. Again she insisted she had done so and went away miffed. The third time she came I asked her to show me how she had wound it. Then I made a peculiar discovery. The woman was left handed, and in attempting to wind the watch she had wound it the wrong way. I've had peculiar experiences with customers, but that beats all."—New York Sun.

Confucius as a Poet.

For those who want to know something of the poetic abilities of Confucius, the Orient Review publishes some translations from a collection given to the Chinese world 500 years B. C. One of these is called "The Bride Cometh:"

The turtledove dwells in the magpie's nest.
One cometh as a bride to be caressed.
A hundred carriages have gone in quest.

The magpie's home the young dove hath possessed.
This lady cometh as a lifelong guest.
A hundred chariots on the road have pressed.

The turtledove shall fill the magpie's nest.
She travels far from home to love and rest.
A hundred carriages her rank attest.

Different Opinions.

"I see a man intends to let a rattlesnake bite him and depend on prayer for a cure. I call that faith."

"I call it cruelty to animals unless somebody's going to pray for the snake after it's bitten such a fool as that."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Evolution.

In the days when the higher education of women provoked more discussion than it does at the present time a number of Cambridge university men, among them Arthur Clement Hilton, who was born a wit and died a clergyman, were discussing the establishment of women's colleges. Hilton, says his biographer, Sir Robert Edgecumbe, expressed himself in favor of the movement.

"Of course," he said, "when women get their degrees they will not be bachelors, but spinsters of art, and then after awhile they will proceed to the degree of M. A.—ma."

Hunter's Waterproof Matchbox.

There is not a match safe made, so far as I know, that meets all of the requirements of the sportsman as well as a ten or twelve gauge brass shell closed with a cork stopper. This makes a safe that is absolutely waterproof, easily opened, is cheap and that will float. If one wishes to provide against the loss of the stopper, a cord may be fastened about the cork and the other end fastened about the base of the shell.—Cor. Forest and Stream.

A Pair of Trade Winners.

"I've never had any great luck," declared the pessimist.

"Neither have I," admitted the optimist.

"Made my money by hard work and advertising."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Very Quiet.

Lady Visitor—That new girl of yours seems very nice and quiet. Mistress of the House—Yes, she's very quiet. She doesn't even disturb the dust when she's cleaning the room.

What He Meant.

Park row at 1 a. m. and a policeman and a sailor in conversation.

"Keyside, keyside!" said the sailor. "'Ow will Hi reach the bloomin' keyside?"

"G'wan wid ye. D'ye think I'm a locksmith, that I know about yer old key and its side? There's one key and lock I'll be after givin' ye, and that's to a cell. Move on now."

"Keyside! Hi said keyside as plain as Hi could, blime!"

Just then a high brow who had been to the postoffice buying stamps so that his rejected contributions would come back to him stepped up.

"The man wants the keyside, whatever that is, and I dunno," said the policeman. "I believe he's looney and I'll run him in."

"He wants the quayside—the docks," said the high brow as he directed the man to the water front, while the policeman said:

"Well, I'll be blowed!"—New York Press.

A Slap at Mother.

Dinner was done, and the family was assembled in the sitting room. Mother had taken up the evening paper and was reading an account of how a highwayman had been operating in the suburbs. Father was down on his hands and knees trying to act like a horse while Five Willie drove him around the floor.

"Papa," finally remarked the good lady, glancing toward her husband, "here is a story about another man who was waylaid. Do these holdups always stop you with a pistol and then go through your clothes?"

"Oh, no," gruffully replied father, arising from the floor. "Sometimes they wait until you hang your clothes over the back of a chair and go to sleep."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Nevertheless He Got Her.

"You say my daughter loves you?" questioned the old man.

"I'm sure of it," replied the young man.

"Well, well," returned the old man, looking the young man over critically. "There's no accounting for tastes, is there?"

And somehow, although the young man knew that he ought to be happy over the possession of the girl, he couldn't help scowling and speculating on that remark of the old man's.

Didn't Take It Seriously.

Bingley—Here is an English physician who says that talking too much makes women nervous, and he suggests that some way should be found to induce them to keep quiet.

Dingley (thoughtfully)—That's an old one, isn't it?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

I Wish to Announce

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CLOSE DOWN TODAY OF MINE OF RIVER COMBINE

Officials Insisted Release Papers Be Signed, It is Said

MAY MEAN A BIG STRIKE

Possible That All the River Coal Mines May be Compelled to Close

Differences between the coal miners of the Pittsburg district and the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Co. over the signing of the employers' release from liability forms are likely to come to a head soon For a time the River Coal only requested that men having sons employed in the mines sign these papers, which is virtually a quit claim for all damages for death or accident to miners. Now it is demanding the signatures, and because the men refuse to sign, Tremont mine, one of the largest the river combine has in the Fourth pool, was closed down today, to remain so indefinitely.

The question of signing these blanks has been agitating the men employed in the river mines for over six months, although the first recognition of it by the officials of District No. 7 of the United Mine Workers was in October. Before the special convention held at Pittsburg that month District President Francis Feehan got the matter up, first with W. W. Keeler, general manager of the River Coal, then with the international president of the Mine Workers, Thomas L. Lewis, but without getting any satisfaction. At the special convention the release from liability was condemned and the men advised not to sign

So far as known the district officials have as yet taken no action, but it is altogether likely that a general strike in the mines of the River Coal may yet be ordered. Tremont is one of the largest mines the company has and usually one of the steadiest. Its suspension will mean much to the miners of the Fourth pool and will have a considerable effect to the business of Belle Vernon and Fayette City.

Miners who have been seen declare they have no particular aversion to signing a release from damages for injury to their sons provided it was not through the company's negligence such accident happened Under the terms of the paper presented by the company it is given a quit claim no matter what the cause. The attorney for the United Mine Workers has given as his opinion that the miner himself could recover damages under the agreement, but it would be hard work. In case of death there would be no one to bring suit, the parent having signed away his rights The miners also say if they are compelled to sign this release from liability for their sons it will not be long until they will be compelled to sign one for themselves.

CROW APPOINTED BANK RECEIVER

Senator William E Crow of Uniontown, has been appointed the permanent receiver for the Bank of Coal Center, which was closed on last Thursday by State Bank Examiner James S. Cover. The books of the bank are not in bad condition says Mr. Cover.

SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

Washington Avenue Presbyterian.

Bible school at 9:45; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Junior Christian Endeavor at 2:30; senior Christian Endeavor at 6:30. A cordial welcome to all. G. G. Kerr, pastor.

St. Jeromes.

St. Jerome's Catholic church, 3rd Sunday after the feast of Ephiphany. Lesson Romans XII, 16-51; Gospel Matt. VIII, 1-13. The services will be as follows: First mass at 8 o'clock, second mass at 10 o'clock. The sermons at the masses will be on the gospel of the day. Children's Sodality will be at 2 o'clock and Christian Doctrine at 2:30 Young Ladies' Sodality at 7 p. m., followed by sermon and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All are invited to be present at any or all of these services. You will hear the Gospel preached without reference to the questions of the day. The Gospel of Christ solves all difficulties as it was intended for all times and all men W. D. Friedrich, pastor

Baptist

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Morning sermon at 11 a. m., subject, of sermon, "Whom shall we serve." Evening service at 7:30 p. m. "The Children of Sabbaths." There will be revival services each evening next week, Rev. J. A. Cherney of Monessen preaching and conducting the services. We expect a great meeting "Come thou with us and we will do thee good." Evening services commence at 7:30 p. m. J. H. Palmer, pastor.

St. Marys Episcopal Church.

Early celebration of the holy communion at 8 a. m. Sunday school and Bible class at 9:45 a. m.

Morning prayer, litany and sermon at 11 o'clock. Subject, "Humanity Compared with Human Distinctions." Evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Father's Discipline. L. W. Shey, rector.

ACCEPTS POSITION AT COUNTY SEAT

Mr. F. W. Power who for several months has been connected with the Mail as advertising manager has resigned his position here and will leave on Sunday for Washington, Pa., where he will accept a similar position with the Washington Record. Mr. Powers has made many friends here, who view his departure with regret, but at the same time wish him much success in his new field

Court Reverses Decision

Judge J. A. McIlvaine has handed down a decision in the case of Miss Mary Matthewson of Stockdale, which she was sentenced by a Justice of the peace of that place to pay a fine of $10 and costs of $17.70 The court reverses the decision, and directs that the fine and costs be restored to her. She was charged with assault upon a pupil in her schools.

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Smith were in Duquesne last evening to attend a ball given by a Medical association, at the home of Dr. L. H. Botkin.

POLITICAL THUG INSULTS DECENCY

Good People Rise in Arms Against Mud Slinging

"SQUARE DEAL" IS CHARLEROI'S PLEA

scabby, vile and contemptible acts that was ever perpetrated against the character of a fellow citizen has been aimed at one of our candidates for burgess. True to its low character, if we might consider it as having a charater, it appeared as a criminal without a name on a pink sheet, under the cover of night. Dark, treacherous, villainous, distasteful, unfit to read, unfair and unlawful to print. The brain that originated it, the mind that conceived it must be unfair and filthy like itself.

The manner in which it has been received by our people is a tribute to their high plane of character. It is condemned on all sides and we predict that the great citizens of Charleroi will rush in a body to defend the character and reputation of one of our fellow townsmen.

The attack is evidently directed at Candidate Whitehead, and, while the Mail has taken no hand in this campaign, for we feel that it was a free fight in which six good clean citizens were engaged, yet we do not hesitate to denounce this act as unfair and dirty politics and even a criminal offense against the laws of our state, and we feel it our duty, as it is the duty of every citizen, to defend and uphold the character of a fellow citizen when he is attacked in an underhanded, treacherous manner on the eve of an election by a right thug. The reputation of Charleroi's people is known everywhere as being fair and honest with every person. The author of this attack will be fortunate if production can find a friend or associates here.

RUTSEK LOCATED

Peer Rutsek, the missing banker of Connellsville, is in jail at Buda Pesth, Hungary, and has been in jail since December 29, as learned from a newspaper published at Buda Pesth which has been received by Adolph Herskovitz, of Uniontown.

"Rutsek Under Lock and Key" is the prominent headline of an article in the paper which is dated January 14. The article when translated is as follows:

"Connellsville, Pa. U. S. A. banker by the name of Peter Rutsek has been in jail here since December 29 and cannot be released until word is received from the authorities abroad as to his identity. He was arrested by the police authorities and as he could not prove his identity by either Hungarian or American passports, and as he claims to be a banker to one of the states [of America and also a notary public the police authorities believe that Mr. Peter Rutsek has obtained his authority for Connellsville and vicinity as notary public under false representations and they will examine the facts whether he has ever been naturalized as a citizen of the United States or not

"Any steps taken by the Connellsville, Pa., authorities towards his extradition will be assisted by the Hungarian police."

The Hungarian paper was received in Pittsburg Thursday the Hungarian consul there and was loaned by him to Mr. Herskovitz who took it to Uniontown It is the Hungarian Paper published in Buda Pesth and it has a branch office in Cleveland, Ohio.

MINERS GIVE TO THE RELIEF FUND

The spirit of "The Brotherhood of Man" was never before so well exemplified as in the instance of the employes of the Berwind-White Coal Mining company of Berwind, Pa. who yesterday turned in their contribution toward the relief fund for the sufferers of the Marianna mine disaster. These hardy sons of toil raised a total collection of $2,242.30, bringing the fund up to a grand total of $23,374.97.

MONON IS THE WINNER

The Charleroi Polo team in the West Penn Roller Polo league was last night beaten at Monongahela in a remarkably fast game by the score of 6 to 4. It looked until the last part of the game as if Charleroi was the winner, but Monongahela took a spurt and beat out.

In the first period, Charleroi showed superior form. At the end the boys from this place had a score of 2 to 1 of the Monon's.

In the second Charleroi again had the Monongahela team played off their feet getting 2 to the home teams 1. But in the last after tying the score Monongahela in the last two minutes in spectacular work beat out the locals.

The race for the honors in the league will be between Monongahela and Charleroi, as can be readily seen at this state. The three

Monongahela—6.		Charleroi—4.
Keys	First Rush	Shinn
Hoskins	Second Rush	Barker
McVicker	Center	Driscoll
Shepler	Halfback	Scrivness
Armstrong	Goal	Johnston

Rushes—Keys 10, Shinn 3. Stops—Armstrong 32, Johnston 40. Goals—Barker, Shinn 2. Driscoll. McVicker 3. Hoskins 2. Accidental Monongahela, 1. Referee—Keys.

REV. CHERNEY AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. A. Cherney of the Monessen Baptist church last night occupied the pulpit at the First Baptist church here where meetings are being held. Rev. Cherney gave an interesting talk of the topic, "I am the Door." He made many strong points, and pointed out the need of a person leading a Christian life. He was listened to with much interest. Meetings will be held in the Baptist church all next week, and Rev. Cherney will assist. A good series of services are looked for.

Mrs. E. F. Krahmer is spending the day in Pittsburg the guest of Miss Minerva Thomas.

R. M. Smith left this morning for his home in Ligonier where he will spend a few days.

"AN INTELLIGENT CITIZEN" ON CAMPAIGN LITERATURE

BOYS ARE NOT TO BE SUSPENDED

"Render therefore to all their dues; tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor." The authority of the home, police autoority, and school authority, when [illegible] receive their dues in respect from those who are affected by the rules of said authorities

A few days ago it was my painful experience to sit at a hearing in the office of our Burgess and see a number of "Our Boys" arraigned before his court for interfering with the rights of some of our citizens. The next morning an investigation was started in the schools to determine why this thing happened—and yesterday while the investigation was being held and at a time when evidence secured to indicate that a number of "Our Boys" would be suspended from school for their part in the affair. The article was printed in the Daily paper.—But after the true circumstances had been learned and considered from the boys' point of view it was decided not to suspend any. I had a personal heart to heart talk with our boys yesterday and how I wish I could reveal some of the things learned during the conversations. The boys were taken one by one I tried to have them feel that I was their friend and would treat them fair. They told me many things that I never knew, and my plea is and always shall be to all authorities in Charleroi that we shall stop knocking at "Our Boys" and lend them a "Helping Hand." These boys must be educated in civic life, and the schools alone cannot do it. The police cannot do it, the homes cannot do it, because a certain class of residents are knocking at the schools. Some say we project our authority too far, others say we do not go far enough. Some knock at the police authority in the same way, and some at the home training. Even council must meet knocks here and there.

Where is the individual in whom there is no fault, where is the perfect organization. No man, no organization but could be "knocked" out of existence if a whole community would decide so to do. No individual and no combination of individuals but could live a better and more influential life if every member of the community would decide to and would lend a "helping hand." Let us come to a comomon understanding of what is for the best interest of our community and all work with "Our Boys" and not against them. May we direct their surplus energies in right paths, and see what the results will be. As for me I have great faith in our boys and what they can do—good or ill Read page 93 in the February number of Success" magazine.

W. D. Wright

Frye-Hannen.

On Thursday evening at the study of the First Christian church the marriage of Miss Elsie May Hannen, of Lover and Mr. Frank Frye of Gallatin, Tenn., was performed. Rev. H. C. Bobbitt officiating. The wedding took place at 7 o'clock. The couple will not take a trip. They will probably reside in Tennessee.

Mrs. M. L. Kent left this morning for Johnstown and Brisbine for a visit with friends and relatives.

Despicable Attempt To Discredit Candidacy of Man For Burgess.

HE FAVORS PROSECUTION

Would Find Parties Who Produced Stuff and Have Them Tried.

To the Voting Intelligence of Charleroi:

A nasty piece of campaign literature has been circulated about one candidate for Burgess, that to allow to go by unnoticed would be an insult to the intelligent and thinking people of our borough. Such dirty and disgusting matter no self respecting printer would set up, and that certain people would allow such matter to be spread broad cast shows a lack of observance on the part of people to whom the abatement and confiscation of all printed matter of this nature is their duty.

It matters not what my politics may be or for whom my vote may be cast. My local and civic pride compels me to protest against the circulation of such low and thoroughly obscene printed matter and I really believe that the author of this nasty stuff has placed himself within the pale of the law, and as a warning to future transgressors of the laws of decency I would advocate his locking up, and if possible he or they be prosecuted to the limit in such cases applicable.

An Intelligent Citizen.

MANY A WARM CONTEST ON

Those whoare outfor political honors are hustling today, and the primaries this afternoon will, it is thought, prove very exciting. The voting places will be open from 2 until 8 o'clock. For Burgess there is many a prediction, but as to whom the real winner will be is a question especially on the Republican ticket. It could not be hard to pick the winner for the Democratic ticket however, and he will be a strong man. The office of tax collector will call for a warm fight, and who will be the winner on the Republican ticket of this is like that of Burgess a question.

INVESTIGATING DEATH OF MONONGAHELA MAN

Coroner James T. Heffran is in Monongahela this afternoon investigating the death of Raffele Grameto, who was killed last Thursday in the Cincinnati mines.

To The Voters of Charleroi.

I again make announcement that I am a candidate for Burgess of Charleroi on the Independent ticket and if elected will endeavor to fill the office intelligently and fairly.

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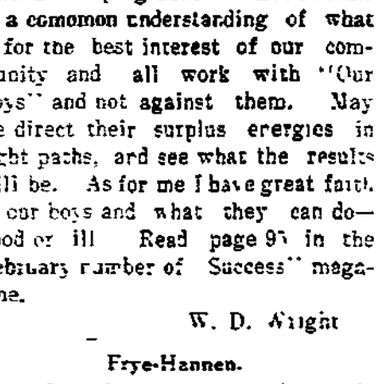

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Jan. 24 In History.

1712—Frederick the Great born in Berlin; died at Sans Souci 1786.

1733—Benjamin Lincoln, American Revolutionary general, born in Hingham, Mass.; died there 1810.

1898—Battleship Maine ordered to proceed to Havana.

1901—Albert Edward, prince of Wales, formally proclaimed King of England with the title Edward VII.

1908—August Wilhelmj, noted violinist, died in London; born 1846.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:04, rises 7:12; moon sets 8:32 p. m.; planet Mercury visible low in west after sunset.

GOOD EVENING.

The cloud is very black, 'tis true,
But just behind it shines the blue.—
Mary Frances Butts.

Quitting School "To Work."

It is not an unusual case to find a boy waiting eagerly until the time when he is old enough to quit school and go to work. Recently a not extraordinary case was brought to the notice of the superintendent of our public schools, of where a boy on the date of his birthday with his mother appeared and saying that he was old enough to quit school left the house of learning—to as we suppose work in one of the factories. True, boys have to work sometime, or else live the life of a vagabond, but it is rank folly on the part of parents to deprive them of their education if they can avoid it. Judge Benn Lindsey, the "Boys Friend," and founder of the Juvenile court in America, has said "Till children are entitled to childhood." It takes but a moment to catch the real significance of this golden thought. It means that all chidren should be given their play-time, and all the advantages possible before their advancement. Is the latter being done by the removal from school at the age where the compulsory school law has no control of them? Another thinker has stated that a single day in school is worth ter dollars to a single child. And he has gathered facts to support this. When school is practically free it is then up to the parents to see that their children get what is coming to them.

Not Quite That Unloyal

In some way the Pennsylvania Railroad company officials at Pittsburg got it into their heads that the Mail said that California was in more need of a new station than Charleroi. This is a most erroneous impression, and should be corrected in their minds. We certainly would not be guilty of that disloyal act. The Mail and all the citizens of this place as well, realize the fact that Charleroi is in more need of a new station than any other town along the valley, California even not excepted, although we must acknowledge that to be one of the places the Pennsy missed when it got in the habit of building decent stations, is the same as ours. Charleroi. We do not begrudge California a new structure but will kick like the deuce if the company erects one there and leave us here in the cold. We have a great deal of traffic to and from Charleroi—several times that of California, take the year around. People come here to shop realizing this is the best place in the valley to secure the worth of their money, and many of this list come by way of the railroad.

The Proposed Game Law.

The proposed change of game laws is hailed with delight by the sportsmen of the state, who regard themselves as greatly favored by the extensions of the various seasons. More than that the seasons are so changed that they are more suitable to the general time [illegible]

Electric Sparks

Professor Abbott Lawrence Lowell, formally made Harvard's president, has the minor distinction of bearing the name of two Massachusetts towns.

It is now admitted that Edgar Allan Poe was born in Boston; but his Virginia admirers insist it was merely an accident.

At present the United States seems to be first in war, first in peace and first in sending aid to the suffering everywhere.

Even when a man doesn't live a particularly fast life he finds himself all out of breath when he comes to die.

When a man resigns a public office because he is incompetent to fill it that is patriotism: when he resigns one office to take a more profitable one that is sense.

There is too much mystery concerning China. Who knows but the new emperor may be cutting another tooth? And yet the outside world is kept in the dark.

It is one thing to get a legislature started in session and quite another thing to stop it.—Youngstown Vindicator.

And when they finally get the new tariff framed, will anbyody want to hang it in his parlor?

The big stick will give way to the golf stick when John D. and Mr. Taft link up for that game.

Don't kick because you have to button your wife's waist. Be glad your wife has a waist and doubly glad you have a wife to button a waist for. Some men's wives' waists have no buttons on to button. Some men's wives who have waists with buttons on to button don't care a continental whether they are buttoned or not. Some men don't have any wives with waists with buttons on to button, any more than a rabbit.—Lacon, Ill. Journal.

The first time a girl is engaged she imagines that she is as important as the heroine in a novel.

Every young man looks forward to the time when he will be in a position to boss somebody.

If every man was compelled to act as his own fool killer there would be an epidemic of suicides.

The more a woman knows about the affairs of her husband the less she has to say about them.

Those countries now adopting old-age pensions may not know the trouble they are bringing on themselves, since the professor is about to show us all how to live to be young at 150.

A man's wife never thinks his illness is serious until he quits using language that wouldn't look well in print.

Aeroplane races are becoming common in Europe. What of it? Horse racing is up in the air in the United States.

Women's hats are announced as designed to be "smaller this year." Necessarily. As they could not be any larger without crowding everything else out of all places of public assemblage the law of change was forced to decrease their shrinkage.

The ancient colored man in Philadelphia who registered himself as 104 years old, and supported his claim on the ground that he remembers the Revolutionary War, may be long on years but is lamentably short on his torical mathematics.

The President objects to being mixed up in Pittsburg politics, and most people will sympathize with him rather than blame him.

Schedule committee of the Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia Circuit will reserve a place for New Castle should it be decided that a meet will be held. If the selling of books is permitted one of the biggest racing evens in the county will be held there. Horsemen look forward to such an end.

"Thou shalt not bear false witness" is a Divine command that is not always obeyed even in this day of enlightment.

It is only the guilty who exult over another's punishment, even though that punishment be just.

Pittsburg has gotten filtered water and as a result we may now look for fewer complaints about the Smoky City milk.

After carefully reading what John D. Rockefeller has to say about himself and his innocent enterprise, let us call him president of the Slandered Oil.

Aeronauts are to draw up rules of the air. it is understood that pedestrians will not have right of way, and will get in the track of aeroplanes at their own peril.

"Graustark" Here Feb. 12.

All of the characters in George Barr McCutcheon's novel of "Graustark" or "A Love Behind A Throne" are retained in the play, including "Grenfall Lorry" the ideal American, Harry Anguish" his friend, the "Princess Yetive," Prince Gabriel," Baron Dangloss," "Pince Lorenze," "Prince Berlarez," "Ostrom," "Dannox," "Allode," Zitsky," "Countess Dagmar," "Countess Halfontes," "Therese," Uncle Casper" aunt Yonne."

The first scene of the play represents the exterior of the Hotel Regengatn at Edelweiss, the capitol city of the principality of "Graustark". The second and fourth acts occur in the boudoir of the "Princess Yetive" while the third and fifth acts take place in the throne room of the castle. The scale of the play affords unusual opportunities for the display of rich and gorgeous costuming and elaborate scenic mountings, which has been taken advantage of in every possible manner.

Lover Pa., Jan. 22.—Jefferson, son of J. P. Duvall, near Jonestown, died Tuesday evening almost seven o'clock. He has only been seriously ill for a few days. Tuesday he suffered a stroke of paralysis which resulted in his death that evening.

Curt Pitzer is visiting his grandparents at East End, Pittsburg.

Donald Ames, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ames, near Garwood, has returned to his studies at the Pittsburg school for the Blind.

A literary society has been organized at the Clover Hill school which will be held on Saturday evening. The following officers have been elected: Gayman Sinontz, president; Leslie Williams, vice president; Blanche Winnett, secretary; Lulu West, assistant secretary; Walter Hawkins, marshal.

Miss Rebecca Griffin of California spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Berte Waller.

The sick, Mrs. I. N. Carson, Mrs. Sarah Williams and Charles Scott, are better.

Mrs. John Rider spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Tyre Robison near Charleroi who is ill.

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Aministratrix's Notice.

Estate of James O. Halstead, Late of the Borough of Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, Deceased

Letters of Administration in the above estate having been granted to the undersigned administratrix, all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, are requested to make the same known, and all persons indebted thereto to make prompt payment to

DELLA P. HALSTEAD, Amdrx.
Charleroi, Pa.

D. M. McCOSKEY,
Attorney.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of James Watson, late of North Charleroi, Washington county, Pa.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims or demands against the estate of the above named decedent should make known the same without delay, and all persons indebted should make prompt payment to

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LYDIA WATSON KRAMER,
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APPROPRIATION FOR COUNTY HOME

At a meeting of the county commissioners yesterday the board appropriated $23,000 for the maintainance of the County home and $11,000 for the Children's home, during the coming year. This is a slight increase over last year, but due to the fact that last year there were balances from the year before, and these balances have been exhausted.

REVIVAL AT THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The special revival services at the First Christian church are progressing with great interest. So far forty two have been added to the church, thirty five by primary obedience. The sermon themes tomorrow will be, morning, "Fishers of Men." Evening, "The Dead Iron Devil." The time of the services will be, S. S. 9:45 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:30 p. m. Preaching services 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. The song services led by Mr. Clarence Hunter have beer a great inspiration to the meetings.

The collection yeaterday by the local committee consisting of Frank Riva, Thomas Arrigo and G. A. Martucci are as follows:

Balance left over	$366.25
Demetrio Bertolotti	1.00
Thomas Bonfanti	1.00
Reeves and Reeves	1.00
Harris Bros.	1.00
H. Brown	.50
James Frew	5.00
J. J. King	1.00
R. O. Vetters	1.00
A. S. Bataglia	.50
M. J. Tylavsky	1.00
T. P. Grant	2.00
Joseph Haube's	1.00
J. Goldstein	.50
Cash	.50
Eugene Fau	2.00
D. P. Duvall	1.00
J. H. Bowers	1.00
W. C. Gween	5.00
Grand total	$392.25

SLIGHT ACCIDENT AT PLATE WORKS

A slight accident occurred at the Plate works yesterday afternoon, on the railroad tracks near the office at the Fifth street terminal. Two freight cars were being "dropped," or taken to a different place on the tracks, when they were lost control of, and burst open the gate at this point. They were derailed, but little damage resulting.

Cramer.

Word was received here today of the death at the home of her daughter in Niles, Ohio, of Mrs. J. D. Cramer. The funeral will be held from Hubbard, Ohio on Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. Cramer is survived by two sons, W. H., Robert, and two daughters.

Mr. W. H. Cramer, one of the surviving sons was formerly the editor of the Mail, he founding this paper.

Pie Social

The pie social held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Heupel of Lincoln avenue was well attended, and a great success.

Rumor has it that a new Democratic paper is to be started at the county seat, to take place of the Washington Record, which was lately purchased by a company, and its policies changed to Republican. It is said that the head of the new publication, which will issue on March 11, is Joe T. S. Cowan, at present editor of the Roscoe Ledger.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Stillwell left this morning for Pittsburg and Tarentum for a visit.

John C. Collins of Monongahela was a visitor in Charleroi on business this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Riggs, son Ellsworth and daughter, Metta, have returned from the Pacific coast where they have spent the past several months.

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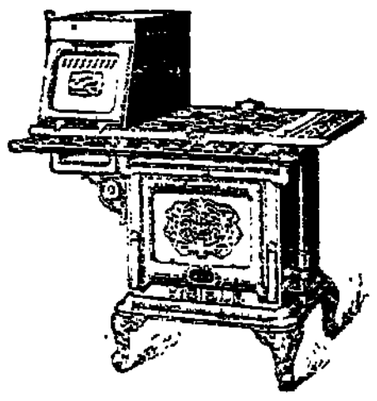

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Women's fine Vici Kid lace shoes in all the late shapes, regular $2.50 values..... **$1.48**

Men's fine dress shoes, lace or blucher, good wearers and up to date shoes, worth $2.50 ... **$1.48**
Boys' solid good wearing shoes, former price $1.50. Get the boys two or three pair, sale price... **98c**
Boys' high grade calf shoes, dressy shapes, all leathers, $2.50 values, sale price..... **$1.39**
Men's veal calf shoes, good solid tap soles, all sizes, worth $2.00 sale price..... **98c**

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Sale Price
$2.45

Men's finest dress shoes in Pat. Colt, Vici, and Velour calf, all styles and all sizes,
worth $3,
sale price
$1.95

RUBBERS RUBBERS RUBBERS

Children's Rubbers in all styles..... 29c
Children's Button Arctics..... 98c
Men's Arctics, one buckle..... 98c
Men's Rubbers, Regular 75c grade..... 59c
Men's Felt Boots, Snag Proof..... $1.95
Men's Gum Boots, regular 3.00 grade..... 1.95

LADIES' RUBBERS

Storm or low, in all sizes and widths. Regular 60c rubbers

39 cents

(Wales Goodyear Make)

Ladies' Arctics, 2 buckle..... 98c
Ladies' Gum Boots..... $1.95
Children's Gum Boots, sizes 5 to 10 1-2..... 98c
Ladies' Tan Rubbers, to match tan shoes.
Children's Felt Boots..... 98c
Boys' Military Waterproof Leggings..... 29c
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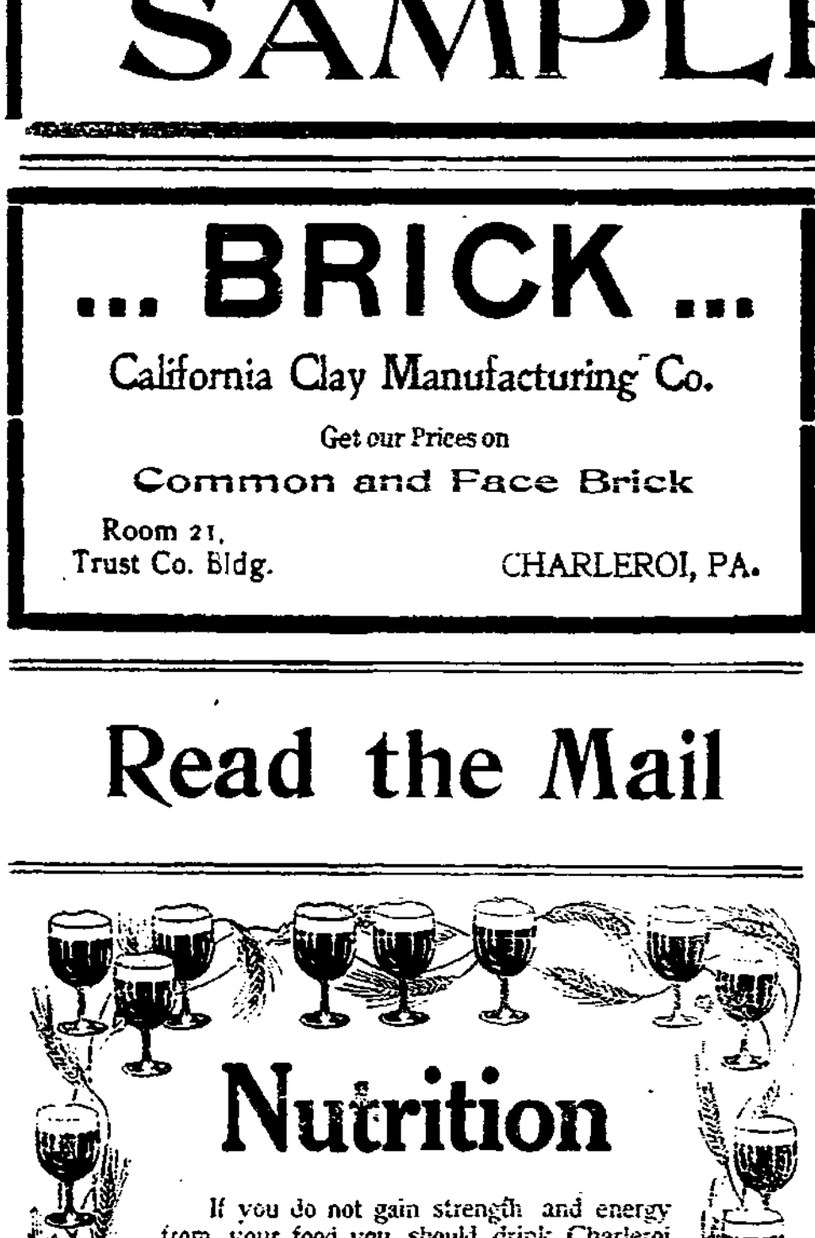

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If you do not gain strength and energy from your food you should drink Charleroi Brewery Ale regularly—at mealtime.

Charleroi Brewery Ale is a pure "undoctored" and unsweetened malt product. All of its virtues come straight from the malted field-barley and selected Bohemian hops.

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Good physicians will commend its moderate use. We guarantee Charleroi Brewery Ale to be of absolute purity.

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Young Folks

DECEIVING THE EYE.

How Many Honeycomb Pieces Can You Find In This Picture.

Here is an optical illusion the principle of which has been a matter of discussion for centuries. It would seem to be an easy matter to find out how many cells there are in this little piece of honeycomb, but just try it. When you have come to a conclusion, just keep looking at the picture, and it is very likely that quick as a dash the appearance of the cells will change, so that if you again count them you will find there is a different number. Once you will make it six, and again you will

HOW MANY SQUARES?

make it seven. There are twenty-four of the diamond shaped parts, and as you can see three sides of each cell in each case it would seem that there should be eight cells, but it is believed that seven is the highest number that the eye can seem to see.

This illusion is a result of the faculty the eye has of imagining "relief" or solidity to objects pictured in this way in perspective. The moment you glance at this picture your eye assumes that it represents a certain number of solid cubes or blocks or cells. You may see three in the bottom row, two in the next and one at the top, or you may see two in the bottom row, three in the middle and two at the top. Calling them six, if you look away for an instant and then cast your eye again on the picture you may this time see them as seven. The way the cells or blocks shift back and forth is most exasperating, and the will power seems to have little control over it.—Pathfinder.

THE EYES OF THE EAGLE.

Why Birds of Prey Are Enabled to Gaze at the Sun.

You have all heard, no doubt, that the eagle, the hawk and other birds of prey can look directly at the sun without being dazzled by its light. If they had not this peculiar power they would be seriously handicapped in their search for food.

They do not, however, look at the sun with eyes in their normal condition. Nature has provided them with a thin skin, or membrane, inside the eyelids, which they can draw down at will over the ball of the eye, thus protecting it, but not seriously interfering with its sight.

But this is not the only provision that nature has made for their eyes. They have the power of adjusting the focus so that they can see as well at a great distance as they can hear the object.

There is another unique provision that nature has made for birds about which questions are often asked, and that is their ability to maintain their hold on the perch when they are asleep. Many persons suppose that it is the persistent action during sleep of the instinct of self protection, but it is not that at all. Running from the claws up into the leg are certain little tendons, which contract or shorten when the bird is sitting. The shortening of the tendons gathers in the claws so that they grasp the perch, and the grasp will not relax until the bird resumes its standing position. The hold on the perch, therefore, is really an involuntary action.

They Have No Clocks.

The following clever device is the way that the natives of Liberia, in west Africa, who have no clocks, tell the time. They take the kernels from the nuts of the candle tree and wash and string them on the rib of a palm leaf. The first or top kernel is then lighted. All the kernels are of the same size and substance, and each will burn a certain number of minutes and then set fire to the one next below. The natives tie pieces of black cloth at regular intervals along the string to mark the division of time.

Among the natives of Siugar, in the Malay archipelago, another peculiar device is used. Two bottles are placed neck to neck, and sand is poured in one of them, which pours itself into the other every half hour, when the bottles are reversed.

A dark, smooth skin on grape fruit usually has the most and sweetest juice.

A Mirror Superstition.

Covering the mirror when there is death in the family originated in the superstition that goblins, sprites, elves or other uncanny creatures would crowd to the glass to look on.

Conundrums.

Why is the heir to a throne musing on his father's government like a rainbow? Because it's the son's (sun's) reflection on a steady rain (reign).

Why is the inside of anything always mysterious? Because we cannot make it out.

Lost—A Little Temper.

Some one lost her temper quite,
Who I dare not say—
Lest it on her way to school
All went wrong that day!
Strange as it may seem to you,
No one saw it go,
But it vanished like a flash—
That is all I know.

Silly sums would not come right;
Teacher, too, was cross,
All because that temper went.
Wasn't it a loss?
But when mother's arms were stretched,
Some one to infold,
Back the little temper came.
Just as good as gold!

Not Interesting.

Mr. Knox—You women are forever discussing the bad points of your neighbors. If you'd only gossip about their good points it would be more edifying.

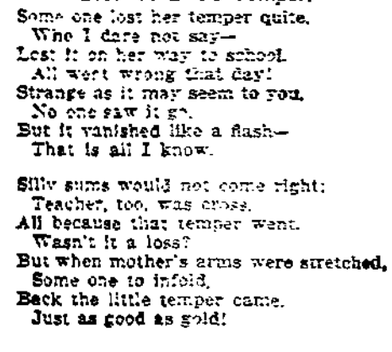
Mrs. Knox—Yes, but who'd care to listen to us?—Philadelphia Press.

Concerning Work.

"Work is something that none of us can avoid."

"That's right," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "Even if you hire somebody to do your work you've got to work hard to keep him from loafing or spoiling something."—Washington Star.

Safe and Sane.



"I never can tell what that son of mine is going to do next."

"I can always be sure what mine will do."

"What's that?"

Leader.

People in Glass Houses.

Pearl—Some one just laughed at our Merry Widow hats.

Ruby—Who was it, dear?

Pearl—Why, that college chap in the ingrown hat with two corners turned down and a blue and yellow band.—Detroit Tribune.

Would You Throw Away $1,000

The man who could save a bank $5 per month and does do it is throwing away $60 year—the gross earning pov of $1,000 at 6 per cent intere

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ALL WINTER STOCKS IN MILLINERY, COATS, SUITS, FURS, COMFORTS AND BLANKETS

It is the time of year when we count and measure every article in the store in our Annual Inventory. Prices are made to close out immense quantities of merchandise before January 30th. Will you be one to get these savings. Don't look for circulars this time. It's too late now to get them out, but do remember

All Millinery in this sale at One-half the regular price.
All our finest and best Skirts One-fourth Off.
All Ladies' Suits sold during this sale go at One-third off.
All Silk Suits go at Half Price.
All Blankets and Comforts go at One-fourth Off.
All Table Linens and Napkins go at 20 Per Cent Off.
All Baby Caps go at One-third Off.
Gent's Suit Cases, Bags, Neckwear, Suspenders, Sweaters, 1-4 Off.
Art Linens, a wonderful variety, go at One-fourth Off.
All Hat Pins, Belt Buckles, Belts, Belting, Ladies' Neckwear 1-3 Off
All Leather Goods go at One-fourth Off.
All our Books go for a full Clean-up at Half Price.
12½c Drapery Goods for fine comforts go at 9c.
Our fine 15c Cotton Batting to go at 11c.
All Lace Curtains go at One-fourth Off.
All Calicoes, best grade, blue, black, grey, red, Light Calico at 5c.

No Goods Laid Away at These Prices.

The above Sweeping Reductions will give you an idea of the way the prices are cut. There are such prices all over the store and we will be ready for you Saturday morning. It's only one week—and these prices cannot last.

BRING IN YOUR PREMIUM TICKETS THIS MONTH.

Fifth St. and McKean Ave — Berryman's CHARLEROI'S LIVE STORE — Fifth St. and McKean Ave

Great Shoe Clearance

We're giving lots of change back these days.

A small sum of money buys a large amount of Shoe leather, here now.

We're holding our Semi-annual Clearance Sale and every pair of shoes is ordered to move.

Our prices will make them move very quickly.

Prices are discounted—a quarter, a third, and sometimes a half.

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Might as Well Enjoy It.

Mr. Jackson, who had but recently moved into the suburb, knew his neighbors on either hand by sight only, and consequently on a cold winter's night when his home caught fire he was surprised and pleased by the alacrity with which they came to render their assistance.

"Say," Jackson yelled excitedly to his right hand neighbor, "will you run down to the corner and turn in the alarm?"

"I'm awfully sorry, sir," the man answered, "but I have a lame leg and can't run."

"While I'm getting out some of the things will you yell fire?" said Jackson, turning to the other man.

"Got laryngitis and can't yell," said the other in a stage whisper.

Jackson gasped; but, pulling himself together, he exclaimed:

"Well, both of you go into the house and bring out chairs, then sit down and enjoy the fire!"—Youth's Companion.

A Woman and a Watch

"Women don't deserve to own watches," recently remarked a jeweler. "They don't know how to take care of them. A woman bought a watch from my firm recently, and I gave her strict instructions to wind it every twenty-four hours and always at the same hour as nearly as possible. Two days later she came back with it and said it had stopped. Well, I found it had run down. I told her, but she insisted she had wound it. Two or three days later she came back with the same complaint, and again I tried to impress her with the necessity for winding it. Again she insisted she had done so and went away miffed. The third time she came I asked her to show me how she had wound it. Then I made a peculiar discovery. The woman was left handed, and in attempting to wind the watch she had wound it the wrong way. I've had peculiar experiences with customers, but that beats all."—New York Sun.

Confucius as a Poet.

For those who want to know something of the poetic abilities of Confucius, the Orient Review publishes some translations from a collection given to the Chinese world 500 years B. C. One of these is called "The Bride Cometh:"

The turtledove dwells in the magpie's nest.
One cometh as a bride to be caressed.
A hundred carriages have gone in quest.

The magpie's home the young dove hath possessed.
This lady cometh as a lifelong guest.
A hundred chariots on the road have pressed.

The turtledove shall fill the magpie's nest.
She travels far from home to love and rest.
A hundred carriages her rank attest.

Different Opinions.

"I see a man intends to let a rattlesnake bite him and depend on prayer for a cure. I call that faith."

"I call it cruelty to animals unless somebody's going to pray for the snake after it's bitten such a fool as that."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Evolution.

In the days when the higher education of women provoked more discussion than it does at the present time a number of Cambridge university men, among them Arthur Clement Hilton, who was born a wit and died a clergyman, were discussing the establishment of women's colleges. Hilton, says his biographer, Sir Robert Edgcumbe, expressed himself in favor of the movement.

"Of course," he said, "when women get their degrees they will not be bachelors, but spinsters of art, and then after awhile they will proceed to the degree of M. A.—ma."

Hunter's Waterproof Matchbox.

There is not a match safe made, so far as I know, that meets all of the requirements of the sportsman as well as a ten or twelve gauge brass shell closed with a cork stopper. This makes a safe that is absolutely waterproof, easily opened, is cheap and that will float. If one wishes to provide against the loss of the stopper, a cord may be fastened about the cork and the other end fastened about the base of the shell.—Cor. Forest and Stream.

A Pair of Trade Winners.

"I've never had any great luck," declared the pessimist.

"Neither have I," admitted the optimist.

"Made my money by hard work and advertising."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Very Quiet.

Lady Visitor—That new girl of yours seems very nice and quiet. Mistress of the House—Yes, she's very quiet. She doesn't even disturb the dust when she's cleaning the room.

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What He Meant.

Park row at 1 a. m. and a policeman and a sailor in conversation.

"Keyside, keyside!" said the sailor. "'Ow will Hi reach the bloomin' keyside?"

"G'wan wid ye. D'ye think I'm a locksmith, that I know about yer old key and its side? There's one key and lock I'll be after givin' ye, and that's to a cell. Move on now."

"Keyside! Hi said keyside as plain as Hi could, blime!"

Just then a high brow who had been to the postoffice buying stamps so that his rejected contributions would come back to him stepped up.

"The man wants the keyside, whatever that is, and I dunno," said the policeman. "I believe he's looney and I'll run him in."

"He wants the quayside—the docks," said the high brow as he directed the man to the water front, while the policeman said:

"Well, I'll be blowed!"—New York Press.

A Slap at Mother.

Dinner was done, and the family was assembled in the sitting room. Mother had taken up the evening paper and was reading an account of how a highwayman had been operating in the suburbs. Father was down on his hands and knees trying to act like a horse while little Willie drove him around the floor.

"Papa," finally remarked the good lady, glancing toward her husband, "here is a story about another man who was waylaid. Do these holdups always stop you with a pistol and then go through your clothes?"

"Oh, no," grinfully replied father, arising from the floor. "Sometimes they wait until you hang your clothes over the back of a chair and go to sleep."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Nevertheless He Got Her.

"You say my daughter loves you?" questioned the old man.

"I'm sure of it," replied the young man.

"Well, well," returned the old man, looking the young man over critically. "There's no accounting for tastes, is there?"

And somehow, although the young man knew that he ought to be happy over the possession of the girl, he couldn't help scowling and speculating on that remark of the old man's.

Didn't Take It Seriously.

Bingley—Here is an English physician who says that talking too much makes women nervous, and he suggests that some way should be found to induce them to keep quiet.

Dingley (thoughtfully)—That's an old one, isn't it?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.